

Mr. C. V. Chandrasekharan : About 6.

Mr. K. P. Nilakanta Pillai : May I know, Sir, provided the qualifications are the same, whether a fresh hand has been allowed to supersede an acting hand?

Mr. C. V. Chandrasekharan : No, Sir, except in one or two cases, in order to give preference to members of unrepresented communities.

Mr. K. P. Nilakanta Pillai : May I know, Sir, whether it is accepted as part of a principle that even in the case of unrepresented communities supersession should be allowed in the service?

Mr. C. V. Chandrasekharan : If there is no member of the unrepresented communities in the seniority list or the waiting list as it is called, such supersession sometimes happens.

President : Is it, qualifications being equal?

Mr. C. V. Chandrasekharan : Yes, Sir.

Mr. K. P. Nilakanta Pillai : May I know, Sir, whether with reference to other than initial appointments a member of the unrepresented community who is freshly appointed is allowed to supersede the claims of—say an acting teacher who has already been in the service for a period of five years?

Mr. C. V. Chandrasekharan : Yes, Sir. In some cases that is done with a view to provide for members belonging to unrepresented communities.

Mr. K. P. Nilakanta Pillai : May I know, Sir, whether even in the case of well-represented communities such supersessions have been allowed?

Mr. C. V. Chandrasekharan : Not when the qualifications are equal. Supersessions have been allowed when people with special academic distinction are preferred.

Vacancies in the provincial staff of teachers.

11. ***Mr. K. N. Kesavan Namputiripad :** Will the Government be pleased to state the number of permanent vacancies at present and also the number of vacancies likely to become permanent before 15-10-1111 in the provincial staff of teachers?

Mr. C. V. Chandrasekharan : Number at present ... 28
Number likely to become permanent before
15-10-1111 ... 3

Mr. K. N. Kesavan Namputiripad : May I know why the Government do not confirm them in their places even after such long periods of acting service?

Mr. C. V. Chandrasekharan : Sir, I may refer the member to the answer given to the subsequent question put by the same member. The Educational Reforms Committee recommended that the seniority list should be abolished and they made several other recommendations for the recruitment of teachers. Those recommendations and the question whether the waiting list should be abolished or modified have been under the consideration of Government.

Mr. K. P. Nilakanta Pillai : May I know, Sir, at what stage the waiting list now is ? Is there one now ? Or has it been cancelled ? Or are further amendments to be made in that ?

Mr. C. V. Chandrasekharan : Orders have been passed that a fresh waiting list on different principles should be prepared in time for the Public Service Commissioner to function.

Confirmation of graduate teachers.

12 ***Mr. K. N. Kesavan Namputiripad :** Will the Government be pleased to state why in the graduate staff of the Education Department confirmations are not made as each permanent post becomes vacant ?

Mr. C. V. Chandrasekharan : In February 1934 all the permanent vacancies in the general list of men graduate teachers were filled up; since then the question of the revision of the existing waiting list has been under consideration.

G. O. re the size of Agrasala para.

13. ***Mr. K. N. Kesavan Namputiripad :** Will the Government be pleased to state :

(a) whether they have issued any circular or order to the Taluk Jenmikaram Officers stating that the Agrasala para should be regarded as smaller in measurement than the standard para ;

(b) whether they have received any memorials from the Jenmies stating that the order has done great harm to them and that the order should be cancelled; and

(c) whether the Government have cancelled the order or done anything to redress the grievance of the Jenmies in the matter ?

Mr. K. N. Kesava Pillai : (a) and (b) Yes.

(c) The matter is under consideration.

Mr. K. N. Kesavan Namputiripad : May I know what prompted Government to pass such an order ?

Mr. K. N. Kesava Pillai : To bring uniformity in the treatment of Agrasala para by the several Jenmikaram Special Officers Government issued the order. They did so because there were certain authorities to show that the Agrasala para is smaller than the standard para.